



Ministry of Rural Development
Government of India

PURA 2.0

NOTICE INVITING 'EXPRESSION OF INTEREST' FOR PROVISION URBAN AMENITIES IN RURAL AREAS

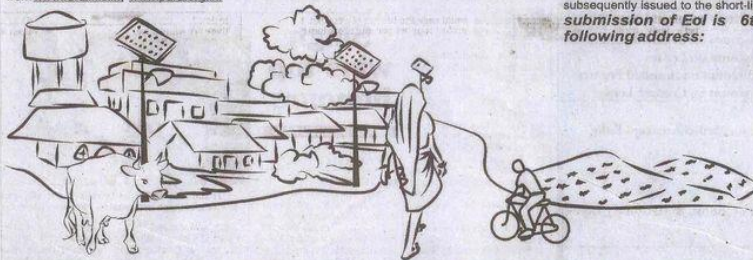
THE PURA SCHEME (PURA 2.0)

The objectives of the restructured PURA Scheme (PURA 2.0) are provision of urban amenities and livelihood opportunities in rural areas which are now rapidly urbanising to bridge the rural - urban divide. It is to be implemented through Public Private Partnership (PPP) between Gram Panchayat(s) and the private sector. Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) in close collaboration with the State Governments concerned has already initiated the first batch of 9 pilot projects, across 5 States and 1 Union Territory. It is now proposed to undertake a second batch of 10-15 pilot projects based on the experience from first batch.

SCOPE

The scope of the Scheme would be to develop livelihood opportunities, urban amenities and infrastructure facilities to prescribed service levels and be responsible for maintenance of the same for a period of ten years. The selected private partner would be required to provide amenities like water supply and sewerage, drainage, solid waste management, street lighting, development of economic activity and skill development in a Panchayat or a cluster of Panchayats. The clusters should preferably be around census towns, non-municipal Block headquarters or potential growth centres. The private partner may also provide 'add-on' revenue-earning facilities such as village linked tourism, integrated rural hub, agri-common services centre or any other rural-economy based project in addition to the above-mentioned amenities. The private developer can propose a cluster of his choice with the consent of the State Government and Gram Panchayat(s) concerned (to be obtained at the RFP stage).

The revised guidelines of the Scheme for the second batch of pilot projects may be downloaded from www.rural.nic.in, www.pura.org.in.



APPLICATION PROCESS

For the second batch of PURA pilot projects, MoRD invites Expression of Interest (EoI) in sealed envelope from private sector entities having experience in development/construction and management of community-oriented infrastructure projects, either as a single entity or as a consortium who meet the following qualification criteria:

- (i) A minimum net worth of Rs. 25 crore,
- (ii) Experience of developing infrastructure projects having a cumulative value of at least Rs. 50 crore.

Application format for submitting EoI may be downloaded from www.rural.nic.in, www.pura.org.in.

Applicants meeting the qualification criteria shall be invited for a prebid meeting in which state and central government officials will participate. The Request for Proposal (RFP) document shall be subsequently issued to the short-listed applicants. **N.B.: The extended last date for submission of EoI is 6th August 2012 upto 1500 hours IST at the following address:**

Under Secretary (PURA),
Ministry of Rural Development,
Government of India,
C-21, 04th Floor, State Emporia Building,
Baba Kharak Singh Marg, Connaught Place, New
Delhi - 110001.
Tel: (011) 23347536 Fax: (011) 23743278, E-mail:
pura-mord@nic.in

Under Secretary (PURA) may be contacted for
any information about PURA Scheme.

Note: Ministry of Rural Development reserves the right to cancel this request for EoI and/or invite afresh with or without amendments to this request for EoI, without liability or any obligation for such request for EoI and without assigning any reason. Information provided at this stage is indicative and MoRD reserves the right to amend/add further details in the RFP document.